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Nucleotide Compounds that Block the Bitter Taste of Oral

Compositions

Inventors:

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Our Ref:

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- Petition to Withdraw from Issue under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2) For 1. Consideration of a Request for Continued Examination;
- 2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal;
- 3. Fee Transmittal Form;
- Credit Card Payment Form; 4.
- 5. First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b);
- Three pages of Form PTO-1449 listing 38 references (AA1-AO1, AR1, 6. AA2-AK2 and AA3-AK3); and
- 7. Return postcard.

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